

Homeland Security Grant Program Allocations
July 5, 2006

On July 1, 2006, DHS sent the Washington Military Department, Emergency Management Division the FFY06 Homeland Security Grant Program award. The final statewide allocations are as follows:

Grant	Total Award	State 20%	Local 80%
State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)	\$12,730,000	\$2,546,000	\$10,184,000
Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP)	\$9,260,000	\$1,852,000	\$7,408,000
Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)	\$9,150,000	\$1,830,000	\$7,320,000
Citizen Corps Program (CCP)	\$384,998	N/A	N/A
Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS)	\$696,990	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	\$32,221,988	\$6,305,000	\$25,219,998

Background: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), at Congress' direction, transitioned state homeland security grant funding for FY 2006 to a quasi-competitive process that included a peer review panel for assessing application effectiveness and a DHS comparative risk calculation. Application effectiveness review looked at state and urban areas' investment justifications and enhancement plans. Also new for 2006 was a requirement for multi-year, high-level projects, irrespective of funding sources, which are linked to one or more target capabilities or national priorities from DHS' National Preparedness Goal.

The State of Washington grant application was the product of collaboration with 250 fire, health, law enforcement, public works, EMS and emergency management professionals representing local, state, tribal and federal entities. Their work resulted in (14) statewide initiatives valued at \$54M. All investment justifications as well as the grant application and subsequent post-award funding allocation recommendations were developed in collaboration with, reviewed, and sequentially endorsed by the statewide Committee on Homeland Security, the Emergency Management Council and the Governor's Domestic Security Executive Group.

The collaborative approach Team Washington took throughout the FFY06 grant application process is reflected in our success compared with other states in competing for grant awards. Although federal grant monies were reduced overall by more than 40% in FFY06, Washington's aggregate award allocation decreased by only 23% from FFY05. Washington ranked in the top 25% among all states for comparative risk and our overall investment justifications were scored by national peer review teams as "above average" or "excellent". As a result, we ranked #10 nationally in the overall size of our SHSP award, #11 nationally in the overall size of our LETPP award, and #14 nationally in the overall size of our Citizen Corps award.

Allocation Methodology:

Grant guidance requires that 80% of SHSP and LETPP funding be passed through to local units of government. The state of Washington utilizes the nine (9) homeland security regions to sub-grant local funds. The nine regions have established regional councils to make sub-allocation determinations based on regional needs, as well as the State Homeland Security Strategic Plan, the Enhancement Plan and the Investment Justifications submitted as part of the FFY06 application.

The nine (9) homeland security regions, in coordination with the entities they each represent, recommended a **State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)** allocation methodology consisting of 30% Regional Base + 20% Population + 50% Population Density (Risk) per region. This methodology went out for comment to cities, counties, tribes, emergency management offices and associations. No dissenting comments were received. The Governor's Domestic Security Executive Group unanimously recommended this formula after review by the Committee on Homeland Security and the Emergency Management Council, and it was approved by the Governor.

The nine (9) homeland security regions, in coordination with the entities they each represent, recommended a **Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP)** allocation methodology consisting of a 29.75% Regional Base + 70.25% Population. This is the same methodology used in 2005. This methodology went out for comment and no dissenting comments were received. The LETPP Advisory Group, consisting of WASPC membership, local emergency managers, EMD and WSP also concurred with the allocation methodology. The Governor's Domestic Security Executive Group unanimously recommended this formula after review by the Committee on Homeland Security and the Emergency Management Council, and it was approved by the Governor.

Regional allocations are as follows:

Region	SHSP	LETPP
1	\$1,160,481	\$1,148,199
2	\$567,671	\$447,151
3	\$695,671	\$645,311
4	\$837,069	\$642,444
5	\$1,522,839	\$688,798
6	\$2,940,786	\$1,570,423
7	\$513,682	\$494,940
8	\$688,875	\$717,524
9	\$1,055,590	\$1,053,210
Grant Total	\$9,982,664*	\$7,408,000

** Approximately \$200,000 is withheld at EMD via Memorandums of Understanding with affected regions as part of Phase 5 (final phase) of the ODP/HRSA Hospital Integration project, which provides decontamination equipment to local hospitals throughout the state.*

Citizen Corps allocations will be released within the next two weeks. OFM/Washington Commission for National and Community Service (WCNCS) is currently working with regions to identify state requirements and pass through needs. The recommended methodology that results from this collaboration will go to the Governor for review prior to final announcement.

Next Steps:

- States have 60 days from the date of the DHS awards to (1) identify how funds will be spent, (2) report back to DHS on projects that will be funded and (3) fully obligate funds to sub-grantees.
- All activities/expenditures must support the Investments identified in the Investment Justifications which were submitted as part of the FY06 HSGP application. No new projects or adjustments to projects will be considered or funded under this grant award.

Action	Related Activities	Date
DHS Award Receipt	EMD accepts award, reviews requirements.	June 30, 2006
Regions identify how SHSP, LETPP and CCP allocations will be utilized	See Project Template: 1) Regions ID sub-grantees 2) Regions ID amount dedicated to each Investment Justification 3) Regions ID activities that will be performed and milestones for each activity (including pass-thru funds) 4) Identify budgets for each project (including pass-thru funds)	Due to EMD August 1, 2006
Initial Strategy Implementation Plan (ISIP) available on Grants Reporting Tool (GRT)	Input data as requested in GRT (should be able to use information identified in draft Project Template to populate most of ISIP fields)	Due to EMD via GRT August 8, 2006
EMD creates contracts based on Project Template	Contracts out to regions with detailed project budgets and scopes of work with milestones for completion.	August 15, 2006
Funds Fully Obligated to Sub-Grantees	EMD executes contracts with Regions, to include Detailed Budgets and Project Detail.	August 30, 2006

* MMRS awardees will also complete project template and ISIP based on the above timelines.